

2 Oaklanders Get Commissions

**Philip Doran and
Leonard Ansell**

Awarded Wings

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Two Oaklanders, both from the Rockridge area, have just been awarded their commissions as flyers in Uncle Sam's armed forces. One is in the Navy and the other in the Army. The Navy man is Philip L. Doran, 12025 Broadway Terrace, who has been commissioned an ensign after having completed his course of training at the U.S. Naval Air Station at Pensacola, Florida. Prior to joining the service Ensign Doran attended San Francisco Junior College and the University of California. He was a member of the varsity track and boxing teams at the latter college. His preliminary training was taken at the Oakland Airport. The Army man is Second Lieut. Leonard W. Ansell, son of Mr. and Mrs. E A Ansell, 6308 Acacia Drive. He was also an active trackman while in college. His commission was awarded at the Air Force Advance Training School, Luke Field, Arizona.

Charles H. McVey, son of Mrs. Janet McVey, 329 Warwick Avenue, is now Second Lieutenant McVey of the United States Field Artillery. Word has just been received from the commandant of the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill of his completion of the stringent course of study and the awarding of his commission. He has been assigned to duty at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

First Lieut. Robert W. Hackley, Medical Corps, has been assigned to duty at Hill Field Station Hospital, Ogden, Utah. He is the son of Roy C. Hackley, 70 Lincolnshire Drive, and is a graduate of the University of California where he was a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

Ten Oakland lads have just been graduated as second lieutenants in the Air Corps, from the Officer Candidate School of the Technical Training Command at Miami Beach, Florida. The boys are: Louis A. Delaney Jr., 945 42nd Avenue; Arthur B. Neighbor, 281 Cross Road; Wilfred H. Ball Jr., 652 Mandana Boulevard; Leslie F. Rice Jr., 460 Staten Avenue; William K. Norris, 5351 Belgrave Place; Courtney R. Burson, 1547 Wellington Street; Clarence A. Cole, 1610 East Fourteenth Street; William T. Buxton, 5711 Chabot Drive; Alton J. Hedges, 1906 24th Avenue, and Alphones R. Beritzhoff, 414 Lee Street.

Entering on a 10 weeks' course of training to secure his commission as second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps, John D. Robertson, 418 30th Street, is en route today to Quantico, Virginia. He enrolled in the Candidate Class for Commissions under the Officer Procurement Program for College Men at the local recruiting office, 445 14th Street.

Former Tribune Carrier Commissioned

Another former Oakland Tribune carrier boy, A. Robert Beritzhoff, 21, has received a commission as second lieutenant in the U.S. Army Air Corps.

Beritzhoff, son of Mrs. Lillian Beritzhoff of 414 Lee Street, Oakland, enlisted in the Army Air Force on New Year's Eve, 1941. He was a technical sergeant before he graduated from the Air Corps training school at Miami Beach, Florida. A graduate of St. Mary's High School, he was on the all-city basketball team in 1938 and 1939 and played baseball with the Acorns for a time, according to his mother. He worked for a San Francisco bank.

Two brothers are also in the service. S. E. Beritzhoff 25, is a yeoman in the Naval Reserve and Jack Beritzhoff, 24, has enlisted for training with the maritime school.

4 Metropolitan Oakland Soldiers Return Today

Names of Oakland area servicemen who were scheduled to arrive in Eastern ports this week from the European theater of war were included in a list received today from the New York Port of Embarkation.

On the Georgetown Victory, due in New York today, were European veterans:

Miranda, Jerome D., Cpl., 20679 Foothill Boulevard, Hayward.

Wilson, Edward J., Pfc., 71½ Barrett Avenue, Richmond.

Listed aboard the Howard Kelly, due in New York today, was:

Beritzhoff, Alphonse R., First Lieut., 414 Lee Street, Oakland.

European veteran aboard the Joseph Teal, due in New York tomorrow, is:

Smith, Clyde R., Pfc., 868 Owens Street, Richmond.

BARBARA BROOKS' BETROTHAL TO A. R. BERITZHOFF TOLD

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An informal cocktail party given by Mrs. Macdonald Brooks at the family home on Vernon Street proved the occasion for the announcement of the engagement of the hostess' daughter, Barbara, to Mr. A. Robert Beritzhoff, scion of an old California family.

Barbara is a sister of Mora (Sue) Brooks. She is a graduate of A to Zed School, Berkeley, and a member of the Twenty-Thirty Assembly. Mrs. Brooks and her daughters have made their home in Carmel for the past six and a half year and returned to the Bay area last month.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of the Augustin S. Macdonalds. Her father, Blair McKean Brooks, and her grandmother, Mrs.

John Chauncey Brooks, live in Washington, D.C. Barbara is a niece of Mrs. Brooks Howe of New York City and a grandniece of the Royal P. Macdonalds, the John H. Macdonalds, the C. O. G. Millers of San Francisco, Edward Lavy Braytons and of the late Mr. and Mrs. George McNear.

Mr. Beritzhoff is a son of Mrs. Sigmund E. Peritzhoff and the late Mr. Beritzhoff. He attended St. Mary's and joined the Army Air Forces, where he spent four years in Africa and Italy, returning as a captain. He is now associated with the San Francisco Bank. He has two brothers, John and Sigmund Beritzhoff Jr., and is the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Green.

Barbara Brooks Sets Wedding Date

Miss Barbara Macdonald Brooks and Mr. Robert Beritzhoff have decided upon June 2 as the definite date for their marriage which will be simple in plan, the setting to be decided upon later.

Barbara is the daughter of Mrs. Mora Macdonald Brooks of Oakland. A number of pre-nuptial parties are being planned for the engaged couple.

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BROOKS-BERITZHOFF

NUPTIALS SET FOR APRIL

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CHANGE of DATE . . . for ~~Mora Macdonald~~ Brooks and Robert "Bob" Beritzhoff, who have upped their wedding day from June to APRIL 12 . . . St. Leo's Catholic Church to be scene of nuptials, with reception to follow at WOMEN'S ATHLETIC CLUB . . . four o'clock the HOUR of the ritual . . . SUE MACDONALD to attend her sister and NOEL LYNCH to be best man for BOB . . . parties ahead . . . MRS. JAY PETER HOLSTEIN'S shower, an evening date . . . set for April 1 . . . MRS. JOHN DUNLAP and Mrs. RICHARD TOMASCO in the role of dual hostesses, April 3 . . . Mrs. Richard Crouse entertaining APRIL 7, and the Dick Lyman and Dudley De Velbiss to entertain together shortly . . .

Vows Read

At St. Leo's

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St. Leo's Catholic Church, decorated in all white stock and pink sweet peas with myriads of lighted tapers at the altar, was the setting for the 4 o'clock wedding of Miss Barbara Macdonald Brooks and Mr. Alphonse Robert Beritzhoff yesterday afternoon, the Rev. William McGuire of Palo Alto, close friend of the bridegroom, conducting the ritual.

Barbara was given in marriage by her grandfather, Mr. Augustin S. Macdonald of Oakland. Her wedding dress was of champagne all-over lace, designed with the cape sleeves and a high neckline. She wore a headdress of matching tulle and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and orchids.

Her sole attendant was her sister, Miss Sue Brooks, who was dressed in blue moire and marquisette, with which she wore a wide brimmed hat of horsehair braid and carried a bouquet of deep pink double carnations.

Mrs. Macdonald Brooks, mother of the bride, wore a beige crepe gown and orchids, with a matching cha-peau.

Mrs. Sigmund Beritzhoff, the bridegroom's mother, chose an aqua marine crepe, and orchids for the wedding.

The wedding reception for a hundred close friends of the family was held in the Terrace and Wistaria rooms of the Women's Athletic Club, where the newlyweds received their friends before a setting of white stock and tulips.

The ceremony united two of the older families in the Eastbay.

Mr. Sigmund Beritzhoff was best man for his brother, who had asked to usher at St. Leo's, Messrs. Richard Tomasco and Noel Lynch.

Mr. and Mrs. Beritzhoff left for a honeymoon in Southern California and upon their return will occupy an apartment in Oakland.

The bride wore a chic going away ensemble of navy with a bolero jacket and matching accessories.

Mrs. Beritzhoff is a member of the 20-30 Assembly.

Her father, Mr. Blair McKean Brooks, and her grandmother, Mrs. John Chauncey Brooks, reside in Washington, D.C. Barbara is a niece of Mrs. Brooks Howe of New York and a grand-niece of Mr. and Mrs. Royal P. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. G. Miller of San Francisco, Mrs. Edward Lacey Brayton and of the late Mr. and Mrs. George McNear.

Mr. Beritzhoff's father was the late Sigmund E. Beritzhoff. He attended St. Mary's College and was four years in the Army Air Forces, returning with the rank of captain. He is presently with the San Francisco Bank. His two brothers are John and Sigmund Beritzhoff, and he is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Green of Alameda.

MISS BROOKS SETS WEDDING

Invitations are in the mails today for the marriage of Miss Barbara Macdonald Brooks, and Mr. Alphonse Robert Beritzhoff, on April 12, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, in St. Leo's Catholic Church. A reception will follow at the Women's Athletic Club.

Miss Brooks is the daughter of Mrs. Macdonald Brooks of Oakland. She will be given in marriage by her grandfather, Mr. Augustin S. Macdonald of Vernon Street. Her sister, Sue Brooks, will be her only attendant, and Mr. Sigmund Beritzhoff will stand with his brother as best man. Seating the guests at the church will be Messrs. Richard Tomasco and Noel Lynch.

In the interim, the bride-to-be will be honored at a number of pre-nuptial affairs.

BACK FROM MARSH FIELD

... Captain and Mrs. Robert Beritzhoff (Barbara Brooks) are again domiciled in Oakland ... the Junior Leaguer to resume her activities here. Captain Beritzhoff has been on special service for the government for the past year and a half. Barbara's mother, Mrs. J. H. Liddell, was one of the founders of the Oakland Junior League.

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SEEN ON THE ski slope at

New Manager Named For C of C Department

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Robert Beritzhoff, 36, today was named manager of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce Highway, Transit and Parking Department, according to William Sparling, general manager.

Beritzhoff, who has been associated with the Oakland Chamber for the past three years as director of exhibits for the Alameda County Board of Supervisors' displays at the Alameda County and State Fairs, succeeds George M. Taylor, who has resigned to accept the position of general manager of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District.

In his new position, Beritzhoff will serve as secretary of the Highway and Freeway, Transit, and Vehicular Traffic and Parking Committees.

Construction Industries, which was formerly handled by Taylor, has been reassigned to Ken Moeller, secretary of the Alameda County Manufacturers' Division of the Oakland chamber, Sparling added.

Born in Alameda, Beritzhoff was associated with the San Francisco Bank prior to his appointment as director of exhibits. He lives at 344 Lenox Ave. with his wife, Barbara, and their three children.

City's Chamber leader resigns

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A. Robert Beritzhoff, executive vice president and general manager of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce, resigned his positions yesterday, effective June 1.

Chamber President Kenneth M. Cook accepted the resignation "with regret," saying Beritzhoff's "knowledge of the community and dedication to its improvement are assets that the chamber will sorely miss."

There was no reason given for the resignation by Beritzhoff in his letter to Cook and the chamber.

Cook said an immediate search for a successor will be launched.

Beritzhoff joined the staff of the chamber in 1954, assuming leadership in a variety of departmental activities.

In 1962 he left to serve as administrator to Oakland Mayor John C. Houlihan, returning to the chamber in 1966. He then acted as legislative lobbyist until 1973 when he was named executive vice president.

Associates credit him in that post with having taken over the chamber when it was in financial difficulty and putting it on its feet by



A. ROBERT BERITZHOFF
Will leave June 1

improving its image and organization.

In his letter of resignation Beritzhoff said, "I would hope that the board, in its wisdom, would give every consideration to the loyal and faithful staff who have served you and myself so well."

Beritzhoff is a native of Alameda, was educated in local schools and served as an Army Air Force captain in World War II.